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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In an Office Action mailed on March 14, 2001 , on the above-identified U.S. Patent application, a shortened statutory period of 3X months was set for response. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), applicant(s) hereby request(s) a:

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time extension so that the period for response to the Office Action expires on _ July 14, 2001

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